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Introduction:

Everything that is correct is from Allah (swt) and the errors are from myself and Shaytaan. I ask you to inform me of any mistakes. Jazak Allahu Khairan. Please note that the following document is based on -Alhamdulillah- many years of Da'wah experience and learning from various teachers.

Please note that The Manual accompanies the Da'wah training on

- ✓ **The YouTube Channel 'Da'wah is Easy'**
- ✓ **www Da'wah is Easy.com.**

I have tried to use only Sahih Ahadith and accurate translations of the Qur'an. In writing this Manual the difficulty I faced was to make it easily usable by everyone. It needed to be suitable for the young and old, as well as the different levels of education and experience. As this is impossible; the reader will need to have lots of patience and adaptability!

Thank you for your patience, and please remember me in your prayers. Jazak Allahu Khairan.

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Da'wah- Basics

What is Da'wah

Da'wah means to invite or to summon. It is usually understood to mean to preach .There are Many different ways to invite to Islam; obviously the most important is by **your example**.

The Prophet Muhammad, [PBUH (Peace be upon him)], 'gave' Da'wah through his personality, honesty and truthfulness



Allah

To remind ourselves that the sole purpose of our life, not just our Da'wah is to please Allah, (Almighty God). We need to remember this and continuously remind ourselves.

Do not underestimate the greatness of this work.

This is the work of
The Greatest Human Beings
that have **ever** lived on the
Earth!

Do 'I' Need to Give Da'wah?

Allah (swt) gives us the answer in the Qur'an where He says:

"And let there be (arising) from you a nation inviting all that is good (Islam), enjoining what is right and forbidding what is wrong, and those will be the successful."

(Qur'an 3:104)

As Allah (swt) clearly says, it is our responsibility as Muslims to tell people about Islam. We learn from this verse and from the Sunnah of all The Prophets (pbuh) that the one who takes on this great work and calls to Islam will be successful. Success both in this world and in The Hereafter.

"Invite to the way of your Lord (i.e. Islam) with wisdom and fair preaching, and argue with them in a way that is better. Truly, your Lord knows best who has gone astray from His path, and He is the best aware of those who are guided." (Surah an-Nisa' 16:125)

The Prophet (PBUH) has said

'Convey from me, even one verse.' (Al-Bukhari).

Conveying the message therefore does not require a high level of knowledge, it is in fact according to ability.

'An obligation on all of us'

What If I Don't Invite and Hide The Truth?

The obligation is further emphasised by S2 V159 of The Quran. This tells us that hiding knowledge (possibly by not conveying the message) causes Allah's curse to descend on such people. That's serious !

"Verily, those who conceal the clear proofs, evidences and the guidance, which we have sent down, after We have made it clear for the people of the book, they are the ones cursed by Allah, and cursed by the cursers." (Quran 2:159)

The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said (translated)

"Whoever hides knowledge, Allah will brand him with the branding iron from The Hellfire." (Ahmad)

According to most Scholars one of the few reasons we can live in a Non-Muslim land is to give Da'wah !

Da'wah Is an Obligation
'Da'wah is The Visa
that allows us to live in this
country!'

What will I get through Da'wah?

The Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) told us that:

"He who calls others to follow the Right Guidance will have a reward equal to the reward of those who follow him, without their reward being diminished in any respect on that account." [Sahih Muslim]

The above Hadith tells us that if somebody becomes a Muslim through our efforts, insha-Allah, then any good actions they do will result in a reward for us, as well as for them !
Imagine that person then has a family who also practice Islam and this goes on for several generations. The scholars tell us that every good deed done by every person who became a Muslim through that one person, would result in a reward for us, insha-Allah. (Wow that's amazing !)

Allah (SWT) tells us in The Qur'an:

"And who is better in speech than he who invites to Allah and does righteous deeds, and says I am one of the Muslims."

(The Quran 41:33)

The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) further told us that:

"By Allah, If Allah Were To Guide One Man through You It Would Be Better For You than the Best Type of Camels"

(Al Bukhari & Muslim)

Why Is Da'wah Training necessary ?

There are three areas we need to address:

1. Stopping A Stranger/ Speaking With A Colleague.
2. Informing And Answering Questions
3. Answering Difficult Questions

1. Approaching A Stranger or Colleague.

Details are discussed later in the document.

2. Informing and Answering Questions

I would like you to address a simple question in a 'Da'wah situation':

What is Islam ?

The answer should be appropriate to the listener

Let's look at a simple question such as

'What is Water?'

Surely you would give a different answer to a Biologist a Physicist or a Chemist; an adult or a child

Similarly for a question like:

‘What is Islam?’

The answer must also be **appropriate** to the listener.

Probably the best answer for a non-Muslim is that —————→

Islam is really a
Relationship
between us and the Creator after
being clear about
who or what He is !

3. Answering Difficult Questions

You should for example be able to answer the following questions:

- 1) Prove that God exists. Who made God ?
- 2) Why should I Change my religion?
- 3) What is the proof that Islam is true?
- 4) Why do natural disasters happen?
- 5) If I become a Muslim will I have to cover up?
- 6) But I Believe in Evolution
- 7) Why did Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) marry Ayesha when she was young?

Most of the above will be covered in the training. Let us look at just three for now.

Answering 5): You need to tell the person that for Any Rule obeying the rule depends on their love for Allah.

Suppose if they ask “Do I need to wear a Hijab if I convert” – depends on how much you love Almighty God.

Answering 6): What the person is really saying is that doesn’t evolution disprove God. The answer is that it does not, in fact it is totally irrelevant. Because we are really talking about how The Universe started. Evolution does not give answers to the origin of The Universe only to how species developed.

Answering 7): See box below.

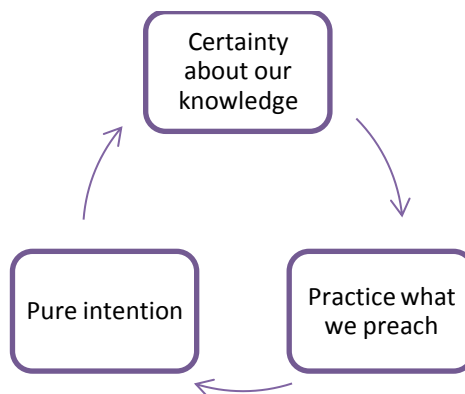
Why The Prophet [PBUH] married Ayesha when she was Young...

- Because of a Dream of The Prophet - which is Revelation .
- It was 'Culturally Normal' at the time.
- Normal as she was already arranged to be married to someone else.
- It was a 'normal celebrated' marriage
- She was the daughter of The Prophet's best friend and she was very clever
- Conveyed many Ahadith (sayings) & Huge Benefit to Muslims

*Therefore she was not just good, but **Essential** for spreading the message of Islam.*

How The Prophets Invited

Sheikh Salih Ibn Fawzan (a scholar on Daw'ah) says that the three essentials in Da'wah are:



Some of the evidence from the Qur'an is:

For “Certainty About Knowledge”:

*“Say, this is my way; I invite to Allah with insight, I and those who follow me....”
(Surah Yusuf 12: 108)*

For “Practicing What We Preach”:

“I do not wish to you from something and then do it myself. Rather I only wish to rectify you as far as I am able.” (Surah Hud) 11: 88

For “Pure Intention”:

“Say, I ask of you for it [i.e. this message] no repayment it is not but a reminder for the worlds” (Surah al-Anam 6:90)

What Is Our Role ?

Allah tells us in The Qu’ran

“Your duty is to convey the message”

[The Qur’an 42:48]

“And it is not for any soul to believe except by the permission of Allah”

[The Qur’an 10:100].

Remember we are NOT converting, convincing or persuading. Our responsibility, as Allah tells us in the above verses, is only to convey the message and to invite. We must remember that it is only through Allah’s guidance that someone becomes a Muslim. It is important to continuously remember this and worth mentioning this to the listener.

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Always Give A Simple Message – make it easy for yourself and the listener !



Da'wah is Easy!
Make Da'wah Easy For
Yourself
and
Easy For The Listener !

A Kiss to remind you ! That you should **Keep It Simple !**



K.I.S.S.

Keep
It
Simple
Stupid !

What are we inviting to?

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ

'There is Nothing Worthy of Worship Except Almighty God'

This is obvious and everyone says this but this needs understanding.

We need to start by removing 'false gods'.

What is the main False God in this society; even though they deny it?

It is Jesus as God or The Son of God. Therefore it is Jesus *you* need to talk about !

- Then Almighty God must be introduced; with all His attributes. Then and only then, The name of God - Allah.

What if they are Atheists or Agnostics?

Even for Atheists and Agnostics Jesus has to be addressed, as most Atheists feel, that **if** they followed a religion, it would be Christianity. Islam is too foreign and too different ! Therefore for The Atheist if Christianity is removed from the equation then they would find themselves in a very uncomfortable position. Also when it comes to filling in forms or when they settle down with their partners they will often say they are Christian as it sounds more 'normal' !

- To an Atheist :
- ✓ Prove that God exists
 - ✓ Clarify the position of Jesus !

How to prove God exists will be discussed later.

Therefore concentrate on Jesus (PBUH)

The sequence you need to follow is as follows :

Please do not go onto to the following point until the previous point has been agreed.

- 1) **"Jesus is Not God"** –This is the most important thing which they must agree to before you go onto the next point.
- 2) **"Jesus is not The Son of God (But 'A' son of God in the Bible language)..."** they need to agree to this before you go onto the next point
- 3) **"Let us agree to follow Jesus"** -- they need to agree to this before you go onto the next point
- 4) **"Jesus submitted himself"** (pbuh) they need to agree to this before you go onto the next point
- 5) **"Jesus was a Muslim"** (pbuh) they need to agree to this before you go onto the next point
- 6) **"Jesus did not complete his message"** (pbuh)- do they need to agree to this before you go onto the next point

Do Not Criticise Jesus But Show That Jesus Was and Is A Way To God.
How to cover each point will be discussed later.

What are we secondly inviting to?

مُحَمَّدٌ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ

Muhammad [PBUH] is the Messenger of Almighty God

This should be the second thing we call to ; once the first part regarding Jesus has been established.

Essential Mnemonic For Da'wah

'Just Go to the Qur'an !'

Just = Jesus
Go to the = God
Qur'an = Qur'an

Jesus – not God and not the only son of God in the Bible

God – His attributes

Qur'an – The Miracle, like the miracles given to the other Prophets (PBUT)

The Seven Essentials

Be Focused:

Be focused on what you are trying to do.

Focus on what?

You Are Trying To:

- ✓ Give Good News
- ✓ Ideally..Inviting to submit to Almighty God
& Proving the truth of Islam
(For Christians concentrate on Jesus)
- ✓ At least ...Inviting to believe in Almighty God
By Proving the existence of God



You Are NOT Trying To:

- Give a speech on Islam
- Impress
- Teach rules and regulations
- Invite to the "Religion" of Islam
- 'Defend Islam !'
- Criticize 'them' or their religion.

Be Gentle:

Even when Allah sent Musa (PBUH) and his brother to Fir'aun (the Pharaoh)- One of the worst human beings, a man who called himself the Lord the most high [ie God]. Allah said that Prophet Moses and Prophet Haroon should be gentle. Imagine how much more gentle we should be when we tell people about God !



Be Humble:



Very important to be humble as a Muslim and especially during Da'wah.

‘...Certainly, Allah likes not each arrogant boaster’
[Qur'an 31:18]

Be Polite:

In Western culture use plenty of

- ✓ ‘Please...’
- ✓ ‘Thank-You’
- ✓ ‘I am sorry to say this but...’
- ✓ ‘I am sorry, I am not trying to offend you but....’.

This is different to Asian culture, where people just shake their head with politeness !

Follow a path:

In your mind you should have a path or a system that you are following so that you don't end up just giving random bits of information.

Cover Points Systematically :	1) Jesus	For Atheists :	1 Proof God exists
	2) God		2 Position of Jesus
	3) Qur'an		3 The Qur'an a Miracle

Don't get distracted:

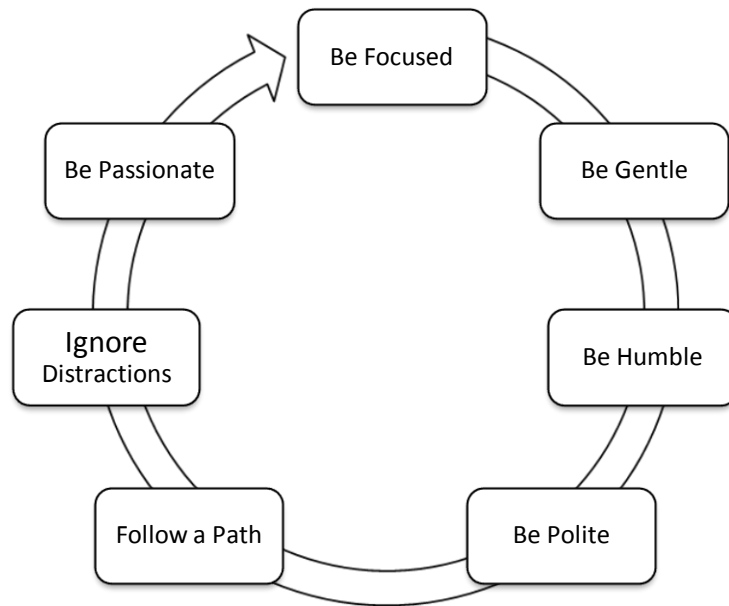
- They may try to distract you by asking irrelevant questions.
- Shaytaan will do his best to interfere !
- Answer any question briefly and get back to the main point
- Say “I'll answer this later if you don't mind”.
- Don't let your emotions distract you so you get excited about something they have mentioned.

Have passion NOT emotion when you speak:

- Please remember we need to have some passion for what we are saying.
- Please do not get emotional. Even if the listener becomes emotional.
- Our message is clear, simple and logical therefore you do not need to become emotional !

A Passion Fruit !





Da'wah Psychology

Remember that **The Prophets** (PBUT) were sent in '*the language of their people*' (Qur'an 14:4)

- Analyse the Listener: - Age, Education, Ethnicity, Class, etc...
 - Establish your credentials. (Tell them You are aYou are not a priest or a 'religious person!)
 - Use their name (frequently)
 - An appropriate message (for the specific listener)
 - Body language (Ours and Theirs)
 - As soon as you detect disinterest change the topic.
 - Communication is 7% words 30% tone 63% body language.
 - You are not giving "Telephone Da'wah i.e. don't be oblivious to the person in front of you!
 - Tone: Do not speak 'up to' or 'down to'. Deal in an **appropriate** manner
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Vital Knowledge

The Dai Must be Able to Understand and Clearly Explain:

1. **Some Attributes of Almighty God** (esp. love & mercy).
2. **Qur'an Is A Miracle**. [This is essential]
3. **Jesus in The Bible** not being God and not The Only Son of God
[You don't need to know chapter and verse number but you need to know some basics; like Jesus said 'Of myself I can do nothing !]
4. **The Six Pillars of Imaan**. (Describe Heaven)
5. **The Prophet Muhammad's (PBUH) life**, in brief.
6. **Some key references** from the Qur'an and the Bible

The Depth of Knowledge Is Dependent On Your Time and Ability.

To Colleagues or Fellow Students

- Firstly and most importantly, ask Allah for success.
- Plant Seeds [*Don't try to grow a tree!*]
- See issues from a religious point of view.
- *Mention "God" rather than the word Allah*
- Say 'Thank God' instead of 'Al Hamdulillah' and 'God willing' instead of 'Insha- Allah'.
- Politely mention things that invite questions. *E.g. Going for Prayers.*
- Give bite size amounts don't give indigestion!
- Think of a way of giving a short intro. to Islam
*E.g. 'John, you know I am a Muslim - yeah. One of the things that are compulsory for me is to tell my friends about Islam. Do you mind if I tell you a little bit about it?'
(Choose a moment when the person is in a good mood and has time available)*

Introducing the word 'God' into conversations is in itself very important as they may think we worship something other than God when we use the word Allah. It will also be a continuous reminder of Allah both to us and our colleagues.

GMC & GDC rules for Doctors

The rules do not allow Proselytising –[Preaching]; therefore the only way you can convey the message is by:

- Firstly and most importantly, ask Allah for success.
- Be identified as a Muslim: Beard, Hijaab etc.
- Be Extraordinarily Polite and caring
- Use **"God"** rather than "Allah" Be Subtle E.g... God willing, Thank God...
[And only In front of a patient who would not be offended. Remember it's your belief not theirs!]

Stopping People in the Street

In 'Street Da'wah' stopping people is the most difficult thing. Once they stop then it's easy to invite [conversion depends on Allah].

I stop people by offering one of our leaflets – '*Purpose of Life*' [this can be downloaded from our website] and saying:

"Excuse Me. Important message"

"Excuse Me Do You Know What The Purpose Of Your Life Is?"

Most people will just walk away (especially in our area where they are used to seeing us regularly!). Then I would ask:

"Excuse Me Are You A Christian?"

"Do You Believe In God?"

Depending on their reaction or answer I would then say:

To a Christian:

"Excuse me. Can I ask you a question about Jesus?"

"Do You Believe Jesus is God or that he was sent by God?"

To Someone Who Doesn't Believe In God Or Isn't Sure;

"You don't believe in God? Can I prove to you that God exists?"

We will come back to the rest of the conversation and how to follow up later.

Why Should I Believe In A God ?

You need to give some good **Practical** Reasons.

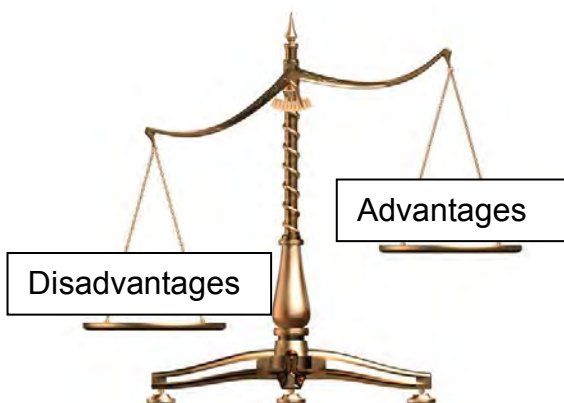
[Because most people feel there is no need for 'God']

For example:

- Their life would be happier – *Tell them you will explain why.*
- An improvement in their relationships and their children's behaviour would be better.
- It would be like having someone very rich (e.g. Richard Branson or Bill Gates) as their best friend.
- Even the rich and famous are not happy without belief in God hence, the high levels of drink, drugs, sexual abuse and suicide.

- In internet terms; being a Muslim is like having **A Broadband Connection** with God, and simply believing in God is like having **A Dial-Up-Connection** with God !
- Lack of God is like a valuable mobile phone (Cell Phone) without a network.
- The Good News brought by The Prophets (heaven and salvation for those who believe).

Redressing the Balance



Most people see many disadvantages of believing in God and few if any, advantages.

YOU

need to redress that balance by showing them the advantages and reducing the disadvantages.

Sign Posting & Escape Routes...

Keep Checking ...

- Keep checking to see if any or all of the information has been accepted by the listener.
- Sign Posting: No point going forward until previous facts accepted.

Their Escape Routes

- You are like a Shepherd trying to catch a sheep.
Therefore you need to think of how they are trying to escape and address their issues.
- Their Escape Routes are their arguments, escape routes should be shown and closed

Oh No They are Leaving!

If the listener is losing interest ...

If you feel that the listener is going to leave then they should at least:

1. Agree with the first part of The Sha'hada, and ideally say the first part The Sha'hada (I bear witness. that there is nothing worthy of worship except Almighty God)
Or at least
 2. Accept the concept of God with all His attributes – mention the idea of Shirk or blasphemy in the Bible. According to the Bible to worship other than Almighty God is going against the first two commandments therefore a blasphemy.
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Closing the deal! > The Sha'ha'dah ! ?

How to close the deal and achieve Shahadah is difficult for most people. The person you are giving Da'wah to is usually much more comfortable if they feel that they haven't really changed their beliefs. In other words what you are telling them is something they have always believe in.

Show them that they are,
CONFIRMING
Their Beliefs,
NOT
changing them!

The Basic Rule

*"Invite all to the way of your Lord
with Wisdom and beautiful
preaching, and argue with them in
ways which are best..."
(Qur'an 16:125)*

The Key :

Often what they will talk about is natural disasters:

- Why did the Tsunami happen ?
- Why do people die ?
- Why is there suffering ?

What you need to do is to talk about The Purpose Of Life. Tell them to understand the natural disasters we need to understand 'The Real Purpose Of Life' .

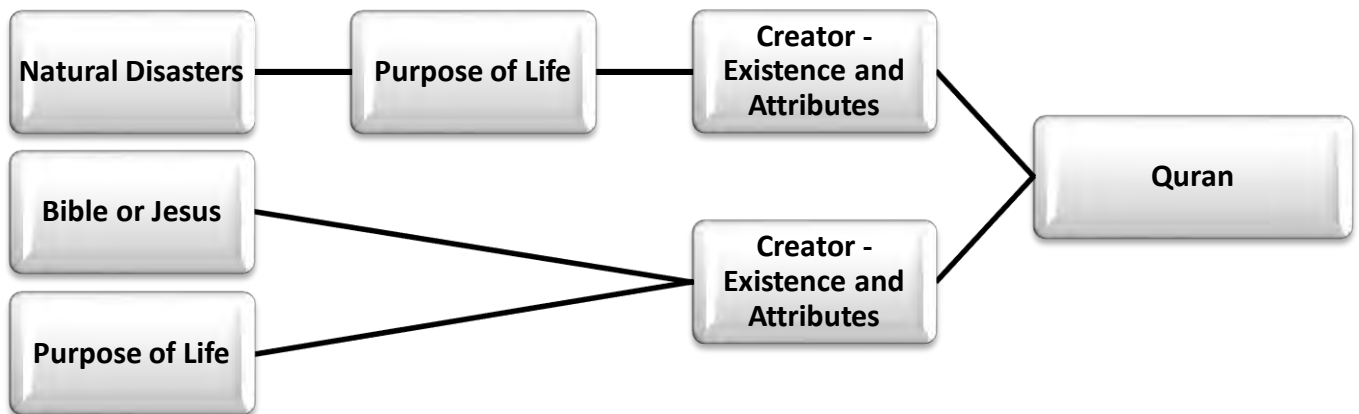


Figure 1

Different Religions <> Islam

Atheism

You ONLY need to 'Prove' that God exists. – Talking about anything else is secondary.

Judaism

- ✓ Show that Abraham was a Muslim
- ✓ The Qur'an is a miracle

Hinduism

- ✓ In their scriptures there is no idolatry
- ✓ Muhammad (PBUH) is mentioned

Buddhism

- ✓ Buddha = possible prophet
- ✓ Moral teachings good
- ✓ Qur'an is a miracle

Jehovah's Witnesses

- ✓ Muslims following Jesus (peace) of Bible
- ✓ God's name is Allah

Any Other religion

- Quran = miracle

Proof of Islam

'The Proof of Islam is The Qur'an!'

Proof That The Qur'an Is From God

1. Scientific Facts in the Quran:

It contains many **Scientific Facts even though it is 1400 hundred years old.**
For example:

- **Embryology** (Qur'an translated Surah 23 Verses 12-14)
- **The Big Bang Theory** (Qur'an translated Surah 21 Verse 30)
- **The Expanding Universe** (Qur'an translated Surah 51 Verse 47)
- **Construction of Mountains** (Qur'an translated Surah 6 Verse 7, **Surah 21 Verse 31**)
- **Pain Receptors For Burning In The Skin** (Qur'an translated Surah 4 Verse 56)
- **How Gravity Works** (Qur'an translated Surah 36 Verse 40)
- **The Water Cycle** (Qur'an translated Surah 7 Verse 57)

2. Given to an Unlettered Prophet

(Qur'an 7:157)

The book was given to a man who could not read or write (How do we know that? Because it says so in the Qur'an and his enemies never called him a liar).

3. Has remained unchanged

The book has remained unchanged for 1400 years- See for yourself in the British Library!

"It is We who have sent down the Dhikr (Qur'an) and surely We will preserve it"
(Quran15:9)

4. The Challenge

"And if you are in doubt about what we have sent down upon our servant then produce a chapter like it ..." (Quran 2:23)

5. No Contradictions

"Don't they ponder over the Qur'an, had it been from anyone besides Allah, they would surely have found therein many contradictions" (Quran 4:82)

6. The Largest Following

It has resulted in the largest following in the world; 1.7 billion people.

7. Produced The Fastest Growing Religion

It has produced the fastest growing religion in the world (Guinness book of records 2005).

8. Changes people lives

Its words have the effect of changing people's lives forever.

9. Easy to memorize:

"...made easy to remember" (Qur'an 44:58) > Millions have memorized the whole Qur'an.

10. No crookedness:

"An Arabic Qur'an without any crookedness" (Qur'an 39:28)

11. Qur'an says it is from Allah:

"The revelation of the Book (Qur'an) is from the Lord of the Alamin" (Qur'an 21:2)

12. Complete guidance:

"This day I have perfected your religion for you, completed my favours upon you and chosen Islam as your Deen" (Qur'an 5:3)

Proof That The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) was True

- ✓ The Qur'an
- ✓ His life and honesty bears testament to his Prophet-hood.

- ✓ Allah gives him the attribute of being the guide to the worlds (Alamin, mankind, Jinn and all creatures.)
- ✓ Previous messages were corrupted or time bound.

The Qur'an mentions Muhammad's (PBUH) Prophet Hood (Qur'an33:40):
 Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) mentioned that he was The Last Prophet and Last Messenger. He was known to be truthful even before his claim to Prophet-hood.

Proof - Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) Didn't Copy The Bible

- The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) would have copied the errors found in the Bible?
 E.g. Scientific errors.
- Muhammad (PBUH) was unlettered (Qur'an 7:157)
- Ask them to show one single verse which is copied

Da'wah to Christians

Beliefs of Christians (except Jehovah witnesses):

- 1) **Trinity**
- 2) **Original Sin**
- 3) **Atonement** (forgiveness of sins)

1) Trinity: They believe that God is made of three personalities; The Father, The Son and The Holy Ghost. Father is God, Son is God, and the Holy Ghost is God, yet there is one God! *Often they will reject these three personalities of God. If you ask them, don't they say 'God the father, God the son God the Holy Spirit', they will say that they do. Therefore, you need to show them that they are saying that Jesus (the son) is God. Then they will agree but may say that they don't personally believe in it.*

2) Original sin: Christianity teaches that because Adam and Eve disobeyed God and ate of the tree (of knowledge); all of their descendants bear the sin.

3) Atonement and Redemption: The crucifixion of a "Man-God" i.e. Jesus on the cross paid the price of sin. Just believing in this is enough to attain salvation. *To refute this ask them if Jesus wanted to die for their sins. They will say Yes. Tell them that in "The Bible" Jesus prayed*

to be saved but was prepared to accept God's Will. They will agree. In which case Jesus did not want to die !

The most important belief you need to address is 'The Trinity'. If this is shown to be incorrect using the Bible, then there is no meaning behind Christianity.

Who Wrote The Bible

CE= Christian era i.e. After Jesus (Better to use than AD = which means Jesus is Lord !)

40-45 CE Letters of Paul

325 CE -Council of Nicaea- Organised by Roman Emperor Constantine. The Emperor was from a Pagan background and favoured the Trinitarian view of Christianity.

1000 CE – Western and Eastern Church broke off- 'The Great Schism'
Western Church: Catholic churches
Eastern Church: Eastern Orthodox church

1600 CE – Protestants broke off- led by Martin Luther and John Calvin.

1611 CE – King James Version of the Bible was made- most widely used today.

1952 CE – Major revision of the King James Bible was made because of its great errors.

Overview of the Bible

- Many versions available.
- Bible divided into **The Old Testament** containing the books before Jesus and **The New Testament** which is about Jesus and that which came after.
The Oldest New Testament available dates back to three hundred years after Jesus!
- Bible not available in the language of Jesus (Aramaic) - oldest New Testament is in Greek.
- **Old Testament** – 39 Books
 - The first five books – Pentateuch (Torah, according to the Jews.)
- **New Testament** – 27 Books
 - The first four are called Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John)
- Protestant Bible-King James's Version- 66 Books(39+27)
- Catholic Bible-Douay Version 73 Books (7 extra books – Apocrypha= doubtful)
- Words **NOT** found in the Bible : Bible, Trinity !

Da'wah to a Christian:

Start with:

The Key Question !
“Do you believe that Jesus is God or that Jesus was sent by God?”

Most Christians will say
‘He was sent by God’

Tell them:

“There’s only one religion that says Jesus was sent by Almighty God do they know Which religion it is? ”

They’ll say **‘Christianity’**

Show them that Christianity says that Jesus is God rather than sent by God.

Because the Christians say- **‘God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.’ ”**

They would agree that Christianity says this; but they don’t believe that Jesus is God.

You can tell them that their belief about Jesus is really the same as Islam, therefore they are really closer to Islam than Christianity

Talk about:

- ✓ Almighty God
- ✓ Jesus
- ✓ Good news
- ✓ Purpose of life
- ✓ Spirituality
- ✓ Islam = Relationship with God
- ✓ Love of God

Don’t talk about:

- Rules and regulations, eg. Five Pillars
- Hell
- ‘Religion’ as in an Organisation
- Other things about Islam – Try to Invite not to Impress

Christian comments that you should be able to answer

- Jesus is God, because....
- Jesus is The Son of God.
- Jesus said ‘I am the way, the truth and the life...’
- Jesus died for my sins.
- I am guaranteed salvation unlike Muslims who depend on good deeds.
- I believe Jesus is God and man [Born-again Christians]
- You don’t believe in the crucifixion.

Key to Da'wah with Christians;

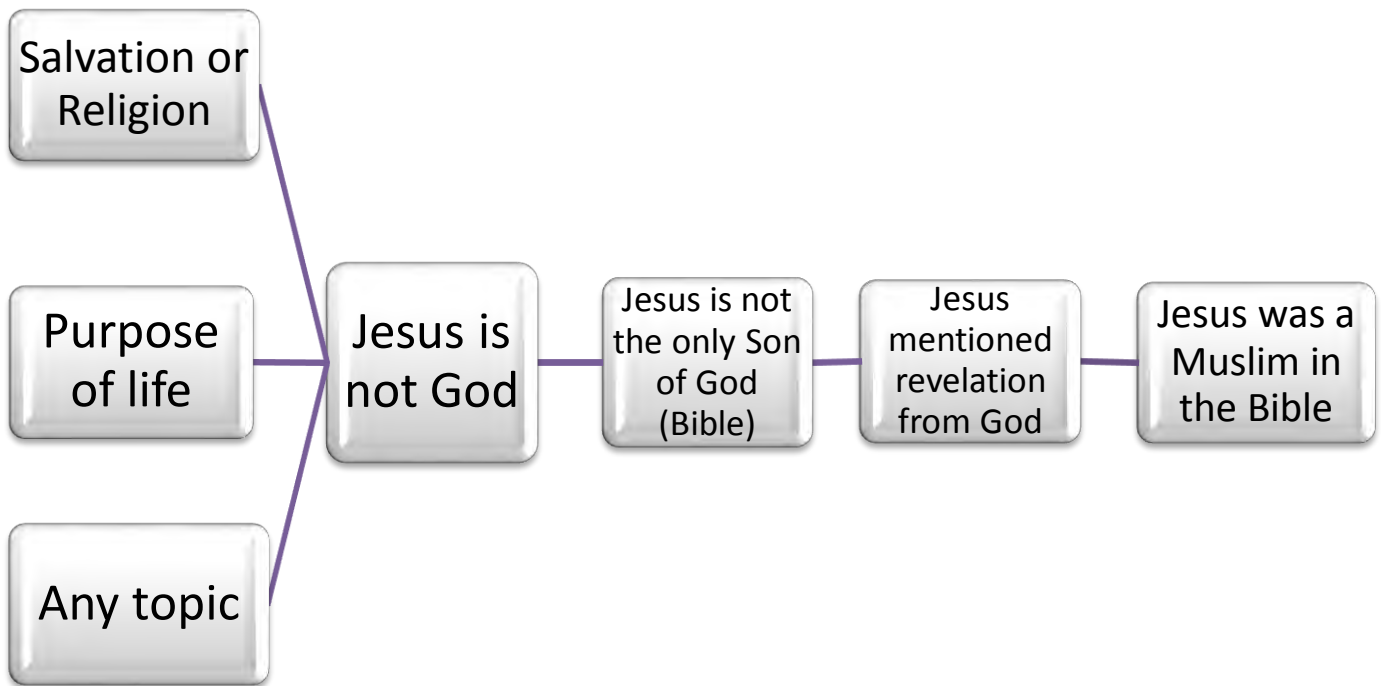


Figure 2

Always follow the above flow chart when giving Da'wah to Christians.

Therefore whatever you start with, concentrate on showing that Jesus is not God and lead onto the fact that Jesus was a Muslim according to The Bible. Then show that The Qur'an is a Miracle. With any other topic you could spend hours and achieve very little

Jesus lived as a Muslim (from the Bible)

- ✓ Submitted to the will of God (Allah) – Luke 22:42, John 5:30
- ✓ Fasted forty days and forty nights – Matt 4:2
- ✓ He prayed on his forehead to One God – Matt 26:39
- ✓ He greeted his disciples with the greeting of peace be unto you (as-salaamualaikum)
 - John 20:21
- ✓ Jesus had a beard as is the way of all the prophets. (No reference in the bible but is commonly accepted by Christians)

- ✓ Female followers (Disciples) all wore Hijab. (This is common knowledge in pictures and statues)

Proof that Jesus (pbuh) Is Not God

Start with the Attributes of God; 'All-Mighty', 'All Knowing', Eternal, Independent. Then apply these attributes to Jesus and see if he qualifies.

God is All-Knowing... Jesus (PBUH) was not.

Speaking of the last day Jesus said 'But of That Day or That Hour knows no man, neither the angels, nor the son, but only the father' (Mark 13:32)

God is All-Mighty... Jesus (PBUH) was not.

'I can do nothing on my own authority; as I hear, I judge, and my judgement is just, because I seek not my own will, but the will of Him who sent me'(John 5:30)

God doesn't pray to anyone ... Jesus (PBUH) did

'And he (Jesus) went a little further, and fell on his face (sujud) and prayed.' (Matt 26:39)

Jesus never said 'I am God, worship me.'

Proof That Jesus (pbuh) Was Not The only Son Of God in the Bible

Many other people are called sons of God in the Bible:

- The Prophet Adam(PBUH) – *Luke 3:38*
- The Prophet Solomon (PBUH)– *II Samuel 7:13, 14*
- Angels – *Job 1:6, 2:1, 38:7*
- The Prophet David(PBUH) – *Psalms 2:7*

[NB: Melchizedek: 'No father, no mother, no ascendants, no descendents, no beginning of days, or end of life....' (Hebrews 7:3)]

From The Qur'an

The Qur'an talks about Jesus' similarity to Adam (3:59)

19:35 "It befits not Allah that he begets a son."

All Prophets Prayed As Muslims Do

Wudhu: Moses and Aaron: *"And Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their feet thereat: when they went into the tent of the congregation and when they came near unto the altar, they washed, as the lord commanded Moses."* (Exodus 40:31-32)

Many Prophets prostrated - Sujood

- ✓ Jesus – Matthew 26:39
- ✓ Elijah – I Kings 18:42
- ✓ Moses and Aaron – Numbers 20:6
- ✓ Abraham- Genesis 17:3

How to Disprove Trinity

The word 'Trinity' is not mentioned in the Bible

Trinity says that Jesus is also 'God' – *If you show Jesus is not God then there is no Trinity*

Trinity was formulated in the year 325 C.E. (better to say CE rather than AD. Because AD means that Jesus is our Lord.)

Jehova's Witness

Beliefs of Jehovah's Witnesses

- Don't believe in The Trinity –(*Therefore they don't believe that Jesus is God or Part of God*)
- Believe Jesus was **created** by God
- Believe Jesus is The **Begotten** Son of God
- Believe the Bible is the absolute word of God
- Happy to accept that Jesus is a prophet of God.

Giving Da'wah to Jehovah's Witnesses (JW):

1) Show that Muslims are following Jesus more closely than Jehovah's Witnesses.

For Example:

- ✓ Jesus prayed by putting his head on the ground (garden of Gethsemane)
- ✓ Jesus had a beard (evidence not in the bible but common knowledge)
- ✓ Jesus ate kosher= Halal food - never ate pork
- ✓ Mary covered her hair all the time - just as Muslims do JW ladies only cover in their churches (Kingdom Halls)

2) God's name is Allah.

- a) Alleluia, which is used in the Bible by angels to praise God, is a corruption of Allah-hu-yah
Alleluia = Allah-hu-yah (from Ahmed Deedat)
- b) Jesus on the cross, said 'Aly-Aly-lema sabakhtani' which is "My God My God, why have you forsaken me?". He did not use the word Jehovah' for God, or 'Abi' which is father. Aly is closer to illahi/Allah which means My God or Deity to be worshipped.
- c) In the Aramaic Language used by Jesus, the word for God is Alaha.

The other point you should concentrate on is that God **does not beget**. (That is give birth to.)

By Jehovah's Witnesses, saying begotten they are going against the 1st and 2nd commandments of the Bible.

The First Commandment

1. You must not have any other God but me.

The Second Commandment

2. You must not make for yourself an idol of any kind or an image of anything in the heavens or on the Earth or in the sea. You must not bow down to them or worship them.

Their main weak points are:

- Muslims follow Jesus in the Bible more closely.
- God's name is Allah according to the Bible
- Their Bible says that Jesus is a begotten son (*The word 'begotten' means gave birth to and not created, as they claim. Therefore they are attributing the act of giving birth to God.*)
- They say that the Bible is the word of God

Question is... which bible, because the oldest bible which is available in the Greek Language. The language of Jesus was Aramaic therefore we don't know what God actually said. There are many different versions of the Bible - Catholics have the Du-ay version, Protestants have the King James Version and the JW have The New World translation.

These are **not** different translations, but different **Versions** - they will say theirs is the most accurate as it goes back to the original Greek scripture, but Jesus did not speak Greek, but spoke Aramaic. (Compare with the Quran - preserved in its original language Arabic)

- 1) Many contradictions in the Bible. Their own JW magazines called 'awake' or 'watchtower' mentioned thousands of errors in the Bible in ~1960s

e.g.:

<http://www.islamway.com/english/images/library/contradictions.htm>

(Some of these have been removed by JW in their bible)

- 2) Jesus talked about the Holy Spirit bringing the words of the 'Father' and we believe that he was talking about the Quran. (16:12-13)

Judaism

Beliefs of Judaism

- One God
- Claim to believe in and follow Abraham and Moses (PBUT)
- The future coming of The Messiah or great leader; Jews reject Jesus as their Messiah.
- They are the chosen people - God chose them above all others
- Talmud: 'Teachings'. Somewhat similar to commentaries of the Old Testament, sayings of Rabbis. First written down during the third and fourth century C.E (Christian era).

How to Invite Jews to Islam

Discuss similarities:

Belief in One God. Old Testament Prophets.

Proof of Qur'an being a Miracle (especially scientific facts as most of them are highly educated).

Discuss the life and teachings of The Prophet Abraham (PBUH) and show that he was a Muslim and that Muslims are following him.

The following verse of the Qur'an says that **we** are the true followers of The Prophet Abraham (PBUH):

"And they say: Be Jews or Christians, then ye will be rightly guided. Say (unto them, O Muhammad): Nay, but (we follow) the religion of Abraham, the upright, and he was not of the idolaters". (Qur'an 2:135)

Tell them that if we look at the life of Abraham in The Bible, we would see that Abraham was a Muslim. The Definition of a Muslim is someone who has the Six Beliefs of a Muslim.

Belief in

1. Almighty God and His Oneness and Uniqueness
2. Angels
3. Books from God
4. Prophets
5. Heaven, Hell and Day of Judgement
6. Pre-Destiny and Pre-Knowledge

Atheism

The Beliefs

- There is no God, there is no Creator !
Everything else they say is really their criticism of religion.

Their common criticisms of religion:

- There is no God, people just made it up.
- I don't believe in organised religion.
- Religion causes trouble and wars.
- If God exists, why are there disasters and why do babies die?
- I believe in Evolution and Darwin.
- Muslims are terrorists.
- All religions basically say the same thing
- I don't want to follow rules.
- I am happy the way I am.

(To answer the above comments use the flow chart Fig 1.)

To answer all of these you simply need to:

1. Prove God exists
2. Explain the Purpose of Life (as said by all Prophets)

Proof That God Exists:

1. **Cosmological Argument**
2. **Teleological Argument**
Design and Fine Tuning
3. **The Prophets' lives**
and the consistency of their message
4. **Miracles** given to The Prophets
Today = The **Qur'an**

1. Cosmological Argument

Causality, The Principle of Cause and Effect

Put simply:

- Everything that begins to exist has a cause.
- The Universe began to exist.
- Therefore, The Universe has a cause.

If the Universe did not have a cause it can only mean:

1. It Created Itself
2. It Always Existed

Is that possible?

1. *Things cannot exist and not exist at the same time. Therefore it cannot create itself.*
2. *Everything must have a beginning because things cannot go back forever; it's just illogical, think about it.*

They are thinking:

“If the universe needs a cause, then why doesn't God need a cause?”

The answer is if God needs A Creator then that Creator needs another Creator, and so on, that means you will never come to a starting point. That means there has to be a Creator who is not created.

2. Teleological Argument - The Design and Precision of the Universe

The design argument is saying that the Universe is so cleverly designed and so finely balanced – has Fine-Tuning, this means that somebody has designed it like that

The Key words are 'Fine-Tuning'

The Fine-Tuning of The Universe has to be either due to:

- **Physical Necessity**
- **Chance**
- **Design.**

Physical Necessity

It is not Physical Necessity. In other words the Universe does not have to be the way it is. It could be lots of other ways and it would still be a Universe but not the one we know.

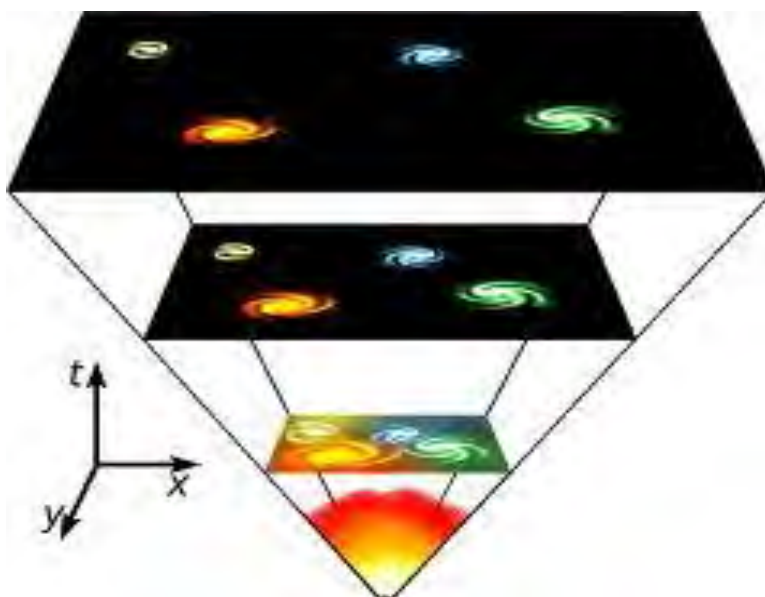
Chance

It is almost impossible to be by chance as Prof Roger Penrose has calculated.

Design

Therefore, the Universe has been designed the way it is.

Let's see at some examples of **Fine-Tuning**



Rate of expansion after

The Big Bang had to fall within certain precise limits, for it to work.

If the rate of expansion had been slightly slower —by one part in millions— then gravity would have caused it to all collapse in a big crunch.

If the rate of expansion had been slightly faster —by one part in millions—

Then gravity couldn't pull any of the matter together to form planets, stars and even gases!

3. The Prophets:

Their lives and the consistency of their message.

4. The Miracles

The Miracles given to The Prophets; today's miracle is **The Qur'an**

Hinduism

Hindu: The word 'Hindu' is a corrupt form of the word 'sindhu,' a religion watered by river Indus.

Founder of Hinduism: None

Major Beliefs:

Belief in Vedas

Practice of Caste system

Sanctity of Cow and other animals

Belief in One or many gods.

Reincarnation

Incarnation of Gods

Da'wah to a Hindu

Concentrate on showing that their scripture talks about worshipping **One** God and is against worshipping idols.

Bhagavat Gita 7:19-21: *'All those who do idol worship, all those who worship demigods are materialistic people.'*

Yajur Veda 3:32: *'...Of that God you cannot make any images.'*

Yajur Veda 40:8: *'All those who worship the uncreated things, they are in darkness, and you'll enter more into darkness if you worship the created things.'*

Rig Veda Vol.6, 45:16: *'There is only one God, worship Him.'*

Also show that the arrival of The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) is described on many occasions in their 'holy' books

**Proof of Islam = The Quran
The Quran = A Miracle**

Frequently Asked Questions

So you can marry four wives?

There is polygamy in the Bible:

Abraham had 2 wives, Sarah and Hagar – *Genesis 16:1-3*

Jacob, son of Isaac had 4 wives – *Genesis 26:34, 28:9*

Saul had a wife and a concubine – *I Sam. 14:50, II Sam. 3:7*

David had 8 wives – *I Sam. 18:27, 25:42, 43 II Sam. 3:2-5, 11:27, 12:8*

(NB: Neither Jesus Christ nor God ever prohibited polygamy in the Bible.)

(The bible does not prohibit Polygamy)

Why do women have to cover themselves?

There is a dress code for both males and females.

Ask them if they have seen a 'picture' or 'painting' of Mary the mother of Jesus- she dresses like a Muslim.

Islam as a complete guidance came to preserve chastity in the society.

The law for dress code, even in the West (including the UK) is not identical for men and women. Men can be 'bare chested', women cannot!

Why do you call him Allah?

'All beautiful names belong to Him' (Qur'an 17:111)

The word Allah is purer and a better word to use than the English word God because:

- To God you can add 'dess' = Goddess.
- God with a small 'g' – god – may cause confusion. Allah can't be written with a small 'g'.
- God with mother or father becomes Godmother, Godfather etc. To Allah nothing can be added.
- English word 'God' could be ambiguous, confusing, manipulated, etc, but the pure word 'Allah' could never be confusing because it always refers to the One Almighty God, Our Creator, with no male and female gender, and no partners.

Final Thoughts

For more practical information please refer to the various '**Dialogue Sheets**'

Please use the technique insha'Allah it will work.

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